Application No. 10/717,106 Amendment dated March 1, 2005

## Amendments to the Claims:

Please cancel, without prejudice, claims 1-11, and 16.

Claims 1-11 (cancel)

Claim 12 (currently amended): A photoluminescent aluminate comprising SrAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>:Eu,Dy,Gd,Sc wherein the following materials and quantities are combined <u>and reacted</u> to form the aluminate:

SrCO<sub>3</sub> (1.0 mole) Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (1.0 mole) Eu<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0.005 mole) Dy<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0.01 mole) Gd<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0.005 mole) Sc<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0.005 mole) B<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (0.2 mole)

Claim 13 (currently amended): A photoluminescent aluminate as recited in claim 12, wherein said  $SrCO_3$  and  $Al_2O_3$  are combined and reacted to form  $SrAl_2O_4 + O_3$ .

Claim 14 (original): A photoluminescent aluminate as recited in claim 13, wherein said SrAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> is heat treated prior to being combined with the remaining material at approximately 1300°c.

Claim 15 (original): A photoluminescent aluminate as recited in claim 13, wherein said SrAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> is heat treated prior to being combined with the remaining material at approximately 1450°c.

Claim16 (cancel)